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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

For: NOVEL SERINE PROTEASE BSSP5)

Sir:

Contemporaneous with the filing of this case and prior to calculation of the filing fee, kindly amend as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

After the title please insert the following paragraph:

REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

--The present application is the national stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 of international application PCT/JP99/06473, filed 19 November 1999 which designated the United States, and which application was not published in the English language.--

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